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FOR: METHOD FOR CONTINUOUS DETECTION OF AN ANALYTE,

TRIFUNCTIONAL DETECTING REAGENT USED AND DETECTING

DEVICE

RESTRICTION RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated December 19, 2007, Applicants elect, without traverse, Group I, Claims 28-44 and 46 (drawn to a method for detection of an analyte in a fluid sample comprising saturating a solid support with a trifunctional reagent (tripod Y) with a receptor, contacting a fluid sample thereto, measuring the intensity of signal, and regenerating the solid support), for examination.

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Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Support for the Amendment begins on page 12 of this paper.